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22 February 2018

Year 6 Camp week

Year 6 Camp

Well, what can I say about Camp! What a successful week it was in the big smoke, with too many highlights to name in this newsletter. It was such a special week, with our 12 Year Six students experiencing something together that they will no doubt look back on fondly for years to come. I was beyond impressed with the behaviour and attitude of the students; I did make the comment on the final night that it was the first Camp I have ever been on where I did not need to raise my voice even once! There is no doubt that after several years of being a student of St. Joseph's, the values that we hold so dear at the school have become deeply instilled in our students, which is so rewarding to see.

A few things that particularly stood out for me were:

- The way the students supported each other. Whenever someone was homesick, they were quickly comforted by classmates. When somebody was struggling with an activity, the encouragement they received from their classmates was instant and genuine.

- The way the students used their initiative. Parents, believe it or not, the students were very diligent in keeping their room tidy and helping with meal preparation, cleaning up and general chores around the accommodation. They were also very responsible in looking out for their own personal safety and the safety of others.

- The reverence shown at Ash Wednesday Mass. We visited another school (St. Pius X in Manning) for Ash Wednesday Mass. Several staff members and parents from the other school commented on how well the students conducted themselves during Mass and how polite they were while visiting the school.

- The sense of humour and fun exhibited by each child. What a great group of students! While they are each so different, they were all able to have a laugh at the appropriate time. There were so many smiles and funny moments throughout the week and I really enjoyed getting to know them well.

A special thanks to Miss Licari, who prepared the students so thoroughly for Camp, as well as Mrs Bendotti, Mrs Van Hazendonk and Ms Keough who so generously gave their time to assist on Camp.

Sacraments for 2018

We now have dates confirmed for our Sacraments for this year.

Dates will be:

Confirmation (Year 6): Sunday
13th May

First Communion (Year 4):
Sunday 24th June

Reconciliation (Year 3):
Wednesday 12th September

Opening School Mass

By now you will already have this Mass booked in to your calendar (Sunday February 25 at 10.30am). While we hope all families will attend, it is especially important that the people listed below attend, as they will be involved in the Commissioning rites during Mass:

- All Year 6 students (Leadership Class)
- Students receiving a Sacrament in 2018 (Year 3-Reconciliation, Year 4-First Communion, Year 6-Confirmation)
- School Board members
- P&F Executive Members

WHAT'S COMING UP?

Sunday 25 School Commissioning Mass at 10.30am
2nd Sunday of Lent

Thurs 1 Mar Cricket clinic

Fri 2 Mar Assessment books go home

School Board/P&F Roles

At our meetings on Tuesday night, we were able to appoint people to the roles for 2018. Congratulations and thank you to the following generous parents:

P&F

President- Vanessa Roche
Vice President- Kirby Bendotti
Treasurer- Lisa Ebsary
Secretary- Maggie Chamoun

School Board

Chairperson- Vanessa Roche
Treasurer- Lara Vesela
Secretary- Lisa Ebsary

Year 6 First Aid Training

This Friday, our Year Six students will participate in a half-day First Aid Training course. The students will learn such vital skills as:

- Making an emergency call correctly
- Treating bleeds
- Treating asthma
- Correct use of epi-pen
- Treating snake bite
- Recovery position
- Resuscitation

I am sure that you will agree that all of these are vital skills that may someday save a life. With this training to continue each year with the Year Six class, it is so exciting to know that each of our students will leave primary school with a good understanding of how to provide first aid to others.

Take care,
Brett Wilkie

Parish News.....

Parish AGM

The Sacred Heart Parish AGM is to be held on **Sunday 25 February** following the 10.30am Mass. Everyone is welcome!

Parish Shed Mass & BBQ

Mark it in your diary!
Saturday 7 April
More details to follow

Year 6

The past week the Year 6's have been on a thrill-seeking, adventurous and highly enjoyable camp. They got to visit lots of different places in Perth such as; The Perth Mint, The Bell Tower, Perth Zoo, Lazer Blaze, Fremantle Prison and much more!

They each had an unforgettable experience and are excited for what the rest of the term brings!

Have a great week!

Miss Licari

Year 4/5

Wow Week Four already! We have been so busy in year 4/5 learning about Narratives, The First Fleet how to grow our mindsets when faced with difficulties, Shrove Tuesday, Ash Wednesday and addition mental strategies just to name a few. It has been great to see all students working so hard to ensure they are having a go and producing work to the best of their ability. Last week the students tried a GoNoodle for the very first time; a brain break which allows them to dance and move to some funky tunes. There have been many happy faces at the end of each brain break and many eager requests for more!

Year 2/3

In Year 2/3 we are well and truly into the swing of things in Week Four. Currently in our room we are learning all about narratives and refreshing what knowledge we already have about this text type. The students have been looking at individual characters and why it is important to create a detailed and interesting character profile. They have also been looking at nouns, verbs, adverbs and adjectives and how they can use these types of words to produce a stand out story! I cannot wait to see how they use these features to build their own text. Sarah Mueller

K/Pp/1

It is amazing to think it is already Week Four. The Kindies have settled in wonderfully and are now with us for three full days each week.

The students have been enthusiastically sharing their ideas about their bodies as we continue our class topic "Thank you God for our amazing Bodies". Last week we investigated our 5 senses and how they help us.

This week we are investigating how our hands and feet help us move and draw with the shared book "Ten Little Fingers and Ten Little Toes" by Mem Fox and many other activities. Next week the class will begin to look at how their bodies have changed from when they were babies to now as "big" school kids. Please remember to send in a baby photo of your child for them to share with the class.

Thank you to all the parents for so promptly returning the permission slip for our Community Garden Buddies program. The students are all looking forward to meeting their new buddies and having our first stroll down to the Vic Conte Community Garden tomorrow afternoon.

M J R Awards:

Year 6

Isabella Pratt

For always being the first to lend a hand and help out (even when others don't). Bella you are always cheerful, excitable and a 'happy chappy'. Well done!

Year 4/5

Lachlan Abraham

for always coming to school with a smile on your face and for displaying the qualities of a Happy Chappy in and out of the classroom. Keep it up!

Year 2/3

Charli Omodei

For always coming to school with a bright and happy personality. You are always willing to help and are an energetic member of the class.

K/P/1

William Love

For being welcoming and friendly to our class members.



Office hours

The school office will open on Friday, Monday, Wednesday & Thursday next week.

Children's Lunch

Parents are reminded that 2minute noodles or similar food that requires hot water is not allowed at school for safety reasons.

Your cooperation and understanding is greatly appreciated.

P & F News.....**Canteen Roster:**

Tuesday 27 February

Helen Ng & Ruth Kelly

Tuesday 6 March

Vanessa Roche & Kylie Bendotti

Note: we will be having specials on our menu – keep an eye out for all the details and prices

PIANO LESSONS

Would you like your child to learn the piano?

Deanne Ventris is available to teach piano on Thursday afternoons at [St Joseph's](http://www.stjosephs.com.au).

Please phone Deanne on 97761757 to express your interest

Mob: 0428 302782

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Celebrating their birthday

Sebastian Vesely

Monday 26th



Altar Server

Sunday 25 February

Bella

Queen's Baton Relay

The Queen's Baton Relay takes a message from Her Majesty The Queen around the Commonwealth to the Opening Ceremony of the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games (GC2018). The GC2018 Relay is the longest and most inclusive in history.

Here are some numbers that highlight the Baton's remarkable journey.

70 Commonwealth nations & territories	25 Island nations	388k Fingerprints from around the world	1m Steps around Australia
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1 Royal Highness: Her Majesty The Queen

180 Australian Celebration Communities

The GC2018 Relay
1 Queen's Baton
6 continents
388 days around the Commonwealth
230,000 kilometres globally
100 days in Australia
40,000 kilometres in Australia

The people
3200 Australian batonbearers
24 billion Commonwealth people

The 16th Queen's Baton
14 kilograms
3 distinct elements
650 millimeters long
157,645 grains of reclaimed plastic

#QBR2018
XXI Commonwealth Games

From the Chair!

Thank you to everyone who attend our first meeting for the year on Tuesday night. We have a number of activities and fundraisers planned for the year. Mark the following into your diary and keep an eye out for all the details:

- Easter Raffle – ticket books will be going home next week, with the draw to be held on Thursday 29 March
- St Joseph's morning tea – Monday 19 March following the Pp/1 liturgy which will commence at 9am
- Progressive dinner – Saturday 5 May

Wishing everyone a great year

Vanessa Roche & Executive

Easter Raffle

It's Easter raffle time! This is our first fundraising event for the year and we need your help!

We are seeking donations of Easter eggs etc. for prizes. Items can be dropped off at the school office.

Ticket books will go home next week. There are books of 20 tickets, the ticket cost is \$1.

We look forward to your support.



Until next week

P&F executive

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Around town...

There's a great lineup for you at the
Blackwood Rhapsody 2018!

On February 24th you can enjoy a memorable night under the stars at historic "Bridgedale" on the banks of the Blackwood River. Take your family and friends and help Bridgetown celebrate its 150th anniversary! [Buy tickets now.](#)



Act-Belong-Commit
EVENING IN THE PARK

Join us for a free, family friendly, fun-filled evening!

Thursday 22 February 2018
Manjimup Timber & Heritage Park
3:30pm to 9pm

3:30pm onward Children's activities, face painting, bouncy castles, food vendors, live music & more
5pm to 6pm Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games Queen's Baton Relay and Welcoming Ceremony
6pm to 9pm Evening concert in the Park



Featuring...

Tom Curtain

Top 10 Australian Country Music Singer

Supported by local acts...

Rena Knowles - folk/pop singer/songwriter

Steve Vidovich - soloist

Table 4 Two Trio - jazz trio

This is a smoke free event



YOUNG WOMEN EMPOWERED

A free event for young women aged 12 and over

TREAT YOURSELF

- Makeup Tutorials
- Henna Art
- Manicures
- Hair Tutorials
- Head & Neck Massage
- Aromatherapy
- Live Entertainment
- Chocolate Fountain

GET PHYSICAL

- Yoga
- Laser Tag
- Boxing
- Djembe Drumming

UNLEASH YOUR CREATIVITY

- Kokedama Workshops
- Tie Dying
- Macrame Workshops

LEARN

- Nutrition Info Sessions
- Department Workshops

Free Food, Drinks & Smoothies



EMPOWERING SPEAKERS

Amy Cambes, Veronica Bravo & Dr Sarah Youngson talk about the issues young women face in their lives and strategies for coping & thriving.

Performances by Veronica Bravo from The X Factor



FREE TRANSPORT AVAILABLE

Free buses from Pemberton, Walpole, Northcliffe & Bridgetown. Bookings are essential. For more information or to book please call 9771 7777. Buses will be running throughout the afternoon in Manjimup. Pick ups from Manjimup Country Club, Anurua Park, East Manjimup Primary School & Kingsley Motel. Call 9771 7777 for more information.

Manjimup Indoor Stadium
10 March 2018
2pm to 7:30pm



Office address: Garden View Court Arcade, Giblett Street Manjimup

Could your child benefit from private tuition?

The Education Station Staff are able to offer tutoring in Manjimup and Bridgetown.

Tutoring all ages from K -12 in English, Mathematics and Science



Our team at The Education Station are fully qualified teachers, passionate about making learning easier and more enjoyable for our students.

We deliver individualised programs and cater for remedial and extension learning requirements.

Currently we still have some sessions available. For more information contact Julie McGowan on 0431199249 to discuss your child's educational requirements.